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Commander's Comments . . .

Colonel Rodger F. Seidel

On 30 January I received a call from a young man stationed in Baghdad, Iraq. This young soldier, 23 years old, had been serving in Iraq on a rapid response team. He has been in Iraq for the past 11 months and had seen 7 fellow "Joes" (a term used by soldiers to identify fellow soldiers) killed in action, and another 20 % of his company wounded. On the day I received his call, with the time change it was really the 1st of February, he informed me that "over 70% of the Shiite population of Baghdad had braved the terrorist threat and went to the polling stations to vote."

He concluded the call by saying, "all the sacrifice was worth it." So how does this fit in with the 110th? Simply put, all of you had something to do with the recent elections in Iraq, something to do with a significant piece of Middle East history. Whether you helped deploy our aviation and ECS packages, or were part of Operation Iraqi Freedom, YOU helped make this happen. No matter what happens in your future, no one can take away the fact that you gave the people of Iraq and opportunity to experience what many in the United States take for granted, Democracy.

Last week the 110th received notice that it was awarded the Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with the Valor device for its outstanding performance in support of Operations Enduring Freedom, Iraqi Freedom and Noble Eagle. If you were a member of the 110th between September 11, 2001 and 24 July 2003, you will be qualified to wear this ribbon. Very rarely is a State-side unit awarded the Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with the Valor Device. All of you are to be commended. Before we can add this ribbon to your awards summaries and before you can update your ribbon racks, we will need to receive the official order. Once we receive the order. I will work to get a General Officer to present the award. Once again, "Thanks for a Job Well Done."



Speaking of awards, this past Tuesday evening, several commanders from the 110th, joined with other leadership members from the Michigan Army and Air National Guard to honor Senator Carl Levin for his being awarded the Harry S. Truman Award in recognition for all his outstanding support of the National Guard. As you walk along the streets of the 110th, you can see the results of all the time and efforts Senator Levin has put into making sure we remain ready, reliable and relevant.

With an impending ORI no more than four UTA periods away, I would be remiss as your commander if I did not address the subject of inspections and teamwork. As most of our "grey beards" would tell you, success of any unit, whether it be in combat or a simulated "war" such as an ORI, is dependent upon teamwork. As we ramp up to the ORI, your commanders will be asking a lot of you, and at times you will be sorely pressed to maintain your focus and sense of humor. If you approach the ORI as an individual and not as part of a team, you will not reach the level of success you could otherwise achieve. Let's get a "team focus," and not stand idly by if a fellow member of this unit is in need of help. The 110th will either succeed or fail as a Team.

In closing, and as always, I would like to thank you and your family members for your continued support of the 110th, Michigan and the United States of America. I would ask that we all remember our fellow service members that are serving abroad and the families of those that have made the ultimate sacrifice. I would leave you with this verse from a famous person..."Let's run with perseverance the great race that is set before us."

Something to think about . . .

Three men go into a motel. The desk clerk said the room was \$30, so each man paid \$10 and went to the room. A while later, the desk clerk realized the room was only \$25, so he sent the bellboy to the three guys' room with \$5. On the way, the bellboy couldn't figure out how to split \$5 evenly between three men, so he gave each man \$1 and kept the other \$2 for himself.

This meant that the 3 men each paid \$9 for the room, which is a total of \$27. Add to that the \$2 the bellboy kept and the total is \$29. Where is the other dollar?

Give us a call at the PA Office, x-3234 if you would like the solution.

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CPSC, Jumpking Inc.® Announce Recall of Trampolines, Enclosures

WASHINGTON, D.C. – In cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), Jumpking Inc.® of Mesquite, Texas, is voluntarily recalling about 1 million trampolines and about 296,000 “FunRing” enclosures sold separately and with Jumpking trampolines. Welds on the frame of these trampolines can break during use, resulting in falls and possible injuries. Additionally, the mounting brackets of the FunRing enclosures have sharp edges, which can cause lacerations.

Jumpking has received 47 reports of one or more welds breaking on these trampolines. This resulted in 21 reports of a variety of injuries, including a concussion; head, neck and back injuries; a broken arm; sprains; lacerations; and bruises. The firm also received 12 reports of other incidents, including nine reports of serious lacerations, when children came into contact with the sharp edges of the enclosure brackets.

The recall includes 14-foot and 15-foot Jumpking trampolines sold separately and with FunRing enclosures. The brand name “Jumpking, Inc.” is written on a warning label wrapped around a leg of the trampoline. The eight legs of these trampolines fit into perpendicular sockets welded to the top rails. Trampolines with weldless sockets that fit over the connecting top rail pieces are not included in this recall.

The FunRing enclosures have an arched design where the vertical poles are connected by arches at the top. Some enclosures were sold separately from the trampolines. The trampolines and enclosures were manufactured in the U.S. and China. Later units, that include the rubber sleeves that fit around the mounting brackets, are not included in the recall.

The trampolines with enclosures were sold at discount, department and toy stores nationwide and in Canada from July 1999 through December 2003 for between \$350 and \$450. Trampolines without FunRing enclosures were sold from July 1999 through February 2004 for between \$180 and \$220. FunRing enclosures were sold separately for between \$150 and \$250.

Consumers should stop using the trampolines and/or the enclosures, and contact Jumpking to receive free repair kits.

To order the repair kits or for more information, contact Jumpking Inc. toll-free at (866) 302-8669 between 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. ET Monday through Friday, or go to the company's Web site at www.jumpking.com



The UTA Planner is a living document that can be found on both the Intranet and the Internet.

Exit this document and follow the links to the UTA Planner on either the intranet or the public site.

ANG Golf League begins planning season

Pre-Season meeting for all individuals interested in golfing in the **Air National Guard Golf League**. Everyone is welcome, they don't need to be in the guard. We golf every Tuesday at Gull Lake View Golf Course with 5 to 6 p.m. tee times. The league starts in April and ends in September.

This is a "fun" 2-person team league. If you can't attend the meeting and are interested, please contact Mike Olin, League President, at (269) 420-0764 or e-mail him at the base, or at molin32609@aol.com.



Time: 22 March 2005; 1730 hours
Place: Barking Frog, Augusta, MI

Check out our
webpage at:
www.anggolf.com



Chaplain's Corner

Building up to the ORI many of us are relearning a vocabulary we haven't used in five years. While we have continued to do the work correctly and by regulation, the cobwebs are being dusted off our memories and paperwork that hasn't seen the light of day for five years.

As of this writing Lent begins next week. As of your reading Lent has been underway for a few weeks. According the Catholic Mass, prayers speak of this season as a time of preparation, personal and communal. We are making ourselves ready to celebrate the holy season of Easter, remembering the events that brought our salvation into the world.

It's very much like our work-up to the ORE and ORI. We prepare ourselves for the

coming event.

The celebrations are in the works, the party after the ORI and the rapture. We should be ready for either event everyday.

Fr. Gregg

Base force protection up-grades in place

by Tech. Sgt. Juan M. Gonzalez, 110 SFS

The 110th Security Forces Squadron has received new devices that help prevent unauthorized entry to the installation. These include hydraulic barriers and "Tiger Teeth" that were installed in late 2004 and are now ready for operational use. The barrier system provides Security Forces with a secondary means of stopping individuals from entering the installation without authorization. The "Tiger Teeth" help prevent or slow down any vehicles wishing to enter the installation through the outbound lanes.

The implementation of these devices means new requirements for you to follow when the barrier system is in use. We ask that you pay particular attention to the Green/Red stop light portion of the barrier system. Please do not proceed until the green light illuminates. Additionally, we ask that military members and dependents use the left entry lane so that the right lane can remain open for contractors and vendors. As for the "Tiger Teeth, please **slow down to 5 mph** when exiting the installation and make sure you do not back up once you have crossed them.

Your assistance will ensure that main gate operations continue to run smoothly and efficiently. If you have any questions or comments about these new devices or the requirements associated with them, feel free to contact Tech. Sgt. Juan M. Gonzalez at (269) 969-3300 or via email at juan.gonzalez@mibatt.ang.af.mil





Announcing. . .

Reenlistments and Extensions

January 05

Tech. Sgt. Andrew Fuentes	110 MDG
Senior Master Sgt. Robert Shankleton	110 FW
Staff Sgt. Matthew Nagy	110 AMXS
Tech. Sgt. David Oexler	110 LRS
Master Sgt. Brian Hunt	110 LRS
Chief Master Sgt. John Kemp	110 LRS
Master Sgt. Annette England	110 LRS
Senior Master Sgt. Gregory Miller	110 MOF

February 05

Tech. Sgt. John Riley	110 MXS
Senior Airman Christina Lux	110 LRS
Senior Airman Brian Bowling	110 SVF
Senior Airman Scott Carlton	110 AMXS
Staff Sgt. Michael Lorenz	110 AMXS
Senior Airman Michael Matthews	110 MXS
Chief Master Sgt. Daniel McHugh	110 MXS

Promotions

Master Sgt.

Stephen R. Weltzer	110 AMXS
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Technical Sgt.

Laura E. Palmer	110 SFS
Jeffrey M. Prough	110 SFS
Steven J. Walter	110 CF

Staff Sgt.

Steven E. Trainer	110 SFS
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Senior Airman

Ashley R. Bowman	110 MDG
Bradley W. Carrick	110 SFS
Todd R. Cooper	110 CES
Jennifer R. Desser	110 SFS
Jesse J. Fosnaugh	110 MXS
James I. Liston	110 MXS



Wing Commander, Col. Rodger F. Seidel congratulates Lt. Col. David T. Kennedy as he presents him a 1st and 2nd Oak Leaf Cluster for his Air Medal

Congratulations on a job well done. Welcome to our Wing family, or Thank You for your continued service to all of these "Outstanding" Wing Members!

New Members

Staff Sgt. Matt Depue	110 MOF
Staff Sgt. Guadalupe Cruz	110 SFS
Tech. Sgt. Hoyt Fonger	110 MSG
Airman 1st Class Nicholas Behm	110 SFS
Tech. Sgt. Eric Scott	110 MXS
Staff Sgt. Greg Meuwesen	110 CF
Maj. Martin Defant	110 MDG
Senior Airman Jennifer Moffitt	110 SFS
Airman 1st Class Thomas Dilley	110 MXS
Airman Basic Matthew Perry	110 SFS

Airman 1st Class John C. Williams, an automatic test station technician in the Avionics Shop, receives a Wing coin from the Commander for his outstanding performance and recognition as a Distinguished Graduate in Electronic Principles tech school.



Thunderbolt Chalet Menu

Saturday

Beef & Veggie Stir Fry
Pork Lo Mien
Fried Rice
Cauliflower
Peas & Carrots
Chocolate Cake
Cookies

Shortline:

Hamburgers
Cheeseburgers
Hot Dogs
French Fries
Onion Rings

Sunday

Chicken & Broccoli
Alfredo
Swedish Meatballs
Roasted Potatoes
Corn
Zucchini
Blueberry Pie
Cookies

Shortline:

Hamburgers
Cheeseburgers
Hot Dogs
French Fries
Battered Mushrooms

***Menu Subject to Change**

Dining Hours:

Saturday & Sunday
11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Cost

--Enlisted Traditional Guard members in
UTA status-- **FREE**
--Officers and AGRs -- \$3.30

So Long, Juana. . .



Chief Master Sgts. Ed Bartha (l) and David Ross(r) presented Juana Sharp a plaque thanking her for her service as the BX manager. Mrs. Sharp left the Battle Creek store to take another position at the Misawa Air

Base exchange.

The BX staff wanted to extend their appreciation to all the personnel at the base for their support of Juana and for all the kind words that were shared during her "farewell" event.

The new BX manager comes to us from Kadena Air Base where she was the PowerZone manager. Her name is Nancy L. Chai and she is looking at making the Battle Creek BX the best in the system. Stop by and wish her a warm greeting and share your thoughts with her on what you would like to see more of or less of.

Hello, Nancy



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